IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Original) A method for generating a composite image including:
 presenting a first image via a Web interface presented on a browser;
 presenting a second image via a Web interface presented on the browser;
 communicating a selection of the first image and the second image to a server via a
 network;

automatically generating a composite image of the first image and the second image at the server; and

communicating the composite image from the server to the browser via the network.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the first image is a product image.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the second image is a decorative image including any one of a group of images including a logo image and a text image.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the composite image includes the second image placed in a default position on the first image.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1 further including:

positioning the second image relative to the first image via a Web interface presented on the browser to generate relative positioning information;

communicating the relative positioning information to the server via the network; and automatically generating the composite image of the first image and the second image at the server according to the relative positioning information.

6-15. (Canceled)

- (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the composite image is associated with 16. information in a database, the associated information in the database being communicated together with the composite image from the server to the browser via the network as a photo sample.
- (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein the photo sample is sent via network to a 17. specified e-mail address.
- (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein a URL containing the photo sample is sent 18. via network to a specified e-mail address.
- (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein a user zooms in to the photo sample. 19.
- (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein a user zooms out of the photo sample. 20.
- (Original) A network-based method for generating a composite image, the method 21. including:

receiving a first image and a second image at a server from a browser responsive to a user-selection of the first image and the second image;

automatically generating a composite image of the first image and the second image at the server; and

communicating the composite image from the server to the browser via a network.

- (Original) The network-based method of claim 21 wherein the first image is a product 22. image.
- 23. (Original) The network-based method of claim 21 wherein the second image is a decorative image including any one of a group of images including a logo image and a text image.

- (Original) The network-based method of claim 21 wherein the composite image includes 24. the second image placed in a default position on the first image.
- (Original) The network-based method of claim 21 including receiving a relative 25. positioning information from the browser via the network and automatically generating the composite image of the first image and the second image at the server according to the relative positioning information.
- 26-31. (Canceled)
- (Original) The network-based method of claim 21 wherein the composite image is 32. associated with information in a database to generate a photo sample.
- 33. (Original) The network-based method of claim 32 wherein the photo sample is transmitted via the network to a specified e-mail address.
- 34. (Original) A network-based method for generating a composite image, the method including:

presenting a first image for user selection via a first Web interface presented on a browser;

uploading a second image;

communicating a selection of the first image and the second image to a server via a network;

receiving a composite image of the first image and the second image from the server at the browser via the network; and

displaying the composite image via a second Web interface presented on the browser.

(Original) The network-based method of claim 34 wherein the first image is a product 35. image.

- (Original) The network-based method of claim 34 wherein the second image is a 36. decorative image including any one of a group of images including a logo image and a text image.
- (Original) The network-based method of claim 34 wherein the composite image includes 37. second image placed in a default position on the first image.
- 38. (Original) The network-based method of claim 34 further including:

positioning the second image relative to the first image via a Web interface presented on the browser to generate a relative positioning information;

communicating the relative positioning information to the server via the network; receiving the composite image of the first image and the second image from the server to the browser, the composite image generated according to the relative positioning information; and

displaying the composite image at the browser.

39-41. (Canceled)

(Original) A network-based method for generating a composite image, the method 42. including:

presenting a first image for user selection via a first Web interface presented on a browser;

presenting a second image for user selection via a second Web interface presented on the browser;

communicating a selection of the first image and the second image to a server via a network;

receiving a composite image of the first image and the second image from the server at the browser via the network; and

displaying the composite image via a third Web interface presented on the browser.

- 43. (Original) The network-based method of claim 42 wherein the first image is a product image.
- 44. (Original) The network-based method of claim 42 wherein the second image is a decorative image including any one of a group of images including a logo image and a text image.
- 45. (Original) The network-based method of claim 42 wherein the composite image includes second image placed in a default position on the first image.
- 46. (Original) The network-based method of claim 42 further including: positioning the second image relative to the first image via a Web interface presented on

communicating the relative positioning information to the server via the network;

receiving the composite image of the first image and the second image from the server to the browser, the composite image generated according to the relative positioning information; and

displaying the composite image at the browser.

the browser to generate a relative positioning information;

- 47-49. (Canceled)
- 50. (Original) An apparatus for generating a composite image including:

 a first image database, the first image database to store at least one first image file;

 a second image database, said second image database to store at least one second image file;

 a server to receive a user selection of the first image file and the second image file and to
 generate a composite image of a first image and a second image wherein the second image is
 positioned relative to the first image.
- 51. (Original) The apparatus of claim 50 wherein the first image is a product image.

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- 52. (Original) The apparatus of claim 50 wherein the second image is a decorative image including any one of a group of images including a logo image and a text image.
- 53-54. (Canceled)
- 55. (Original) The apparatus of claim 50 wherein the server is further configured to generate a photo sample.
- 56. (Original) The apparatus of claim 50 wherein the server is further configured to transmit the photo sample via the network to a specified e-mail address.
- 57. (Original) An apparatus for generating a composite image including:

 means for presenting a first image via a Web interface presented on a browser;

 means for presenting a second image via a Web interface presented on the browser;

 means for communicating a selection of the first image and the second image to a server via a network;

means for automatically generating a composite image of the first image and the second image at the server; and

means for communicating the composite image from the server to the browser via the network.

- 58. (Original) The apparatus of claim 57 wherein the first image is a product image.
- 59. (Original) The apparatus of claim 57 wherein the second image is a decorative image including any one of a group of images including a logo image and a text image.
- 60-61. (Canceled)
- 62. (Original) The apparatus of claim 57 wherein the means for automatically generating a composite image are further configured to generate a photo sample.

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63. (Original) The apparatus of claim 57 wherein the means for automatically generating a composite image are further configured to transmit the photo sample via the network to a specified e-mail address.

64-69. (Canceled)